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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.10

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APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
UNDER 37 CFR §1.53(b) or 37 CFR §1.153

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR §1.53(b) or 37 CFR §1.153 is the patent application of:

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For: SILVER CONTAINING COPPER ALLOY

1. Type of Application:

Original Design Continuation
 Divisional Continuation-In-Part

2. Benefit of Prior Foreign Application(s) (35 U.S.C. §119)

The new application being transmitted herein claims the benefit of:

prior Foreign Application Serial No. [insert foreign serial number], filed on [insert DATE] in [insert COUNTRY OF ORIGIN]; or

PCT International Application designating at least one country other than the United States with the Serial No. [insert PCT SERIAL NUMBER], filed on [insert DATE].

A certified copy is enclosed or on file in the prior application.

3. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. §120)

The new application being transmitted herein claims the benefit of prior copending U.S. application(s), U.S. Serial No.: 09/923,137, filed on August 6, 2001 and provisional US patent application serial number 60/244,054 that was filed on August 9, 2000.

4. Papers Enclosed Which are Required for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b) or 37 CFR §1.153

42 page(s) of Specification

10 page(s) of Claims, having 48 total claims, including 3 independent claims and 45 dependent claims, following entry of the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

1 page(s) of Abstract

4 sheets of formal informal Drawings

5. Additional Papers Enclosed

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Preliminary Amendment

Information Disclosure Statement

Form PTO-1449

Copies of Cited Art

Other: Preliminary Amendment

6. Inventor's Declaration/Power of Attorney

A copy of the Inventor's Declaration/Power of Attorney is enclosed or not enclosed,
and is signed or not signed.

7. Assignment

Enclosed is a recordation form and an assignment of the invention to [insert ASSIGNEE'S NAME], a corporation of the State of [insert STATE].

8. Small Entity Status

Applicant claims Small Entity Status.

9. Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)

CLAIMS AS FILED					
NUMBER FILED			NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	BASIC FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	48	-20	28	\$ 18.00	\$770.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	-3	0	\$ 86.00	\$ 504.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS, if any				\$290.00	
TOTAL					\$1274.00
REDUCTION FOR SMALL ENTITY BY 50%					
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$1,274.00

DESIGN APPLICATION FEE	\$340.00
REDUCTION FOR SMALL ENTITY BY 50%	
TOTAL FILING FEE	\$340.00

10. Method of Payment of Fees

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11. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.18, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 23-1665.

12. Correspondence

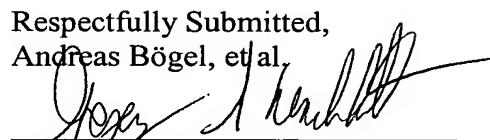
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